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See my changes (explanations) in red below. Probably more detail than you need or asked for.

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Is this correct?

In the Sampling Activities Report (September, 2006) - prepared as part of Gladstone Targeted Brownfield Assessment, water quality sampling data from July 2005 (post bulkhead at the American Tunnel (AT)) was compared to water quality

data from 1996-1999 (pre-bulkhead of the AT). The comparison showed that water quality had deteriorated since the removal of the water treatment plant at Gladstone and the installation of the bulkheads in the AT. Water quality comparison were made of sampling data from the American Tunnel, the Mogul mine adit, the Red & Bonita mine adit, the Upper Gold King, Level 7 mine adit and Cement Creek downstream of the AT. EPA began weighing a Superfund designation in approximately 2009. EPA sent 104(e) letters in January 2013 to Kinross Gold Corp., a large Canadian mining company that now owns the Sunnyside mine and XX and XX.

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